and a total sum of Rs. 12,013–5–3 was realised as testing fee; 314 cases were launched during the period under report, of which 285 cases ended in conviction. 13 were acquitted, 2 were discharged and 2 were withdrawn and a total sum of Rs. 4,503–8–0 was realised by way of fines.

The periodicity of the testing of weights and measures has been changed from once in three years to once in a year with effect from May 1949 with a view to provide the public correct weights and measures.

III. Organisation of Regulated Markets in the State.—The Mysore Agricultural Produce Markets Act, 1939, came into force from 1st March 1947 and necessary rules were framed thereunder in the same year.

(*a*) *Regulated Market at Tiptur.*—The Regulated Market at Tiptur for cocoanuts and copra, the first of its kind in the whole of India, has prove a real boon to the agriculturists. The total amount of market fee and licence fee collected by the Market Committee during the period under report is Rs. 33,273–9–9. The quantities of various commodities auctioned in the market were as follows:—

Copra	...	874,913 bags
Cocoanuts	...	7,336,981 cocoanuts
Jaggery	...	9,318 bundles and 2,549 bags

(*b*) *Regulated Market at Davangere.*—The Regulated Market at Davangere for pulses and oil seeds started functioning with effect from 1st February 1950. The Market Committee collected a sum of Rs. 1,03,944–13–9 as Market Cess and License fee during the period under report. The various commodities sold in the market during the year under report is as follows:—

Name of the Commodity		Quantity sold
Groundnut pods	...	740,924 S ttas of 8 Mds.
Cotton (Kappas)	...	666,619 Mds.
,, (Lint)	...	81,438 ,,
Cotton seed	...	515,279 Lbs.
Horsegram	...	17,463 Pallas
Castor seed	...	20,181 ,,
Bengalgram	...	18 618 ,,
Sesamum	...	5 877 ,,
Thogari	...	18,693 ,,
Chillies	...	293 pallas and 56,840 Mds.
Jaggery	...	197,912 Mds.
Groundnut seeds	...	75,293 ,,
Coriander	...	3,029 Pallas
Greengram	...	1,950 ,,
Niger	...	1,672 ,,
Blackgram	...	840 ,,
Cowpea	...	504 ,,
Avare	...	398 ,,

(*c*) *Regulated Market at Mysore.*—The Regulated Market at Mysore for oil seeds, pulses, etc., was inaugurated on 1st May 1950. The Market Committee has collected a sum of Rs. 45,530-12-0 as Market cess, License Fee, etc., during the period under report. The quantities of various commodities auctioned in the market are as follows:—

Groundnut	...	4,60,037 pallas
Groundut seeds	...	4,062 ,,
Til seeds	...	18,878 ,,
Castor seeds	...	12,575 ,,
Niger	...	14,895 ,,
Horsegram	...	37,865 ,,
Cowpea	...	10,8 0 ,,
Greengram	...	8,983 ,,
Cocoanuts	...	55,51,418
Tamarind	...	61 bags and 57,873 Mds.
Jaggery	...	3,779 bags and 22,200 Mds.
Chillies	...	111 bags and 21,495 Mds.
Soapnuts	...	8,200 Mds.
Honge seeds	...	1,054 pallas
Avare	...	1,137 ,,
Urd	...	155 ,,

(*d*) *Other Regulated Markets.*—Schemes for the establishment of Regulated Markets at Chitaldrug, Shimoga, Arsikere and Tumkur were sanctioned. The first Regulated Market Committees for Chitaldrug and Shimoga were constituted after holding the elections in respect of their Traders' Constituency and arrangements were made to inaugurate the markets. Necessary action was also taken to register the Traders and Commission Agents in respect of the markets of Tumkur and Arsikere and to conduct election in respect of their Traders' Constituency. The question of establishing Regulated Markets at Sira and Santhemaranahalli for Tobacco and Silkworm cocoons, respectively, was also pursued during the period under report.

IV. *Grading and Standardisation.*

Necessary draft rules were framed for grading and marketing of eggs, oranges, virginia cigarettes, country tobacco, etc. During the period under report there were five Egg Grading Stations for eggs and two for oranges, 29,48,195 eggs and 2,79,604 oranges valued at Rs. 352861-15-0 and Rs. 22798-14-0 respectively, were graded.

The grading of eggs was made compulsory in the Municipal limits of Mysore to facilitate the public to secure quality eggs.

V. *Co-operative Marketing Societies.*

There were at the end of June 1947, 47 Co-operative Marketing Societies, of which 13 had not started work, owing to the orders of the Government restricting the sale of controlled articles. These societies had a membership of 6,857 and a share capital of Rs. 1,64,090 and their total working capital amounted to Rs. 4,28,217. Their working resulted in a net profit of Rs. 40,897.

During the period under report, 43 fresh Marketing Societies were registered and there were 90 Marketing Societies by the end of the year 1950, of which 21 had not started work. These Marketing Societies had a membership of 10,261 with a share capital of Rs. 2,26,344 and their total working capital amounted to Rs. 19,34,263, yielding a net profit of Rs. 45,615.

The following are some of the important Marketing Co-operative Societies :—

(1) The Malnad Areca Marketing Co-operative Society, Ltd., Shimoga.
(2) The Mysore Provincial Marketing Co-operative Society, Ltd., Bangalore.
(3) The Saklespur Cardamom Growers' Marketing Co-operative Society.
(4) The Arsikere Cocoanut and Copra Co-operative Society.
(5) The Arsikere Cotton Co-operative Society.
(6) The Davangere Agricultural Marketing Co-operative Society.
(7) The Goribidnur Agricultural Union Marketing Co-operative Society.
(8) The Dodballapur Rural Welfare Centre Marketing Co-operative Society.

VI. *Collection and Compilation of Agricultural Statistics relating to Live-stock and Live-stock Products.*

The Department attended to numerous miscellaneous enquiries relating to agricultural commodities, Live-stock and Live-stock products, both from within and from outside the State, in addition to the supply of supplementary information to the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, New Delhi.

VII. *Dissemination of Market News Service.*

The publication of prices in local newspapers and dissemination of market news through the All-India Radio, Mysore, was continued in addition to collection and supply of Market News as and when required, by the Central Agricultural Marketing Department and other Provincial Governments, including Military Authorities.

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Press Note.

Government have, in their Notification No. S.D. 8508—C. 36-51-159, dated 21st January 1952, suspended the working of Hullers and manufacture of 'Puri' in any part of the State up to 1st May 1952.

(P.N. No. 290—25-1-1952).

Press Note.

It is hereby notified for the information of the public that in view of the Government of India Notification No. S.R.O. 1427, dated 20th September 1951, removing all restrictions imposed on movement of cattle feed from any place in a State to any other State except the State of Bombay, Government have removed with immediate effect all restrictions on the movement of cattle feed including wheat and rice bran. No permits for the export of cattle fodder including rice and wheat bran outside the State or for movement within the State are hereafter necessary except to and from the State of Bombay.

(P. N. No. 291—25-1-1952).